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This letter is in response to the letter regarding prior art recieved June 7, 2000. The prior art has not been considered for the reasons set forth in the attached sheet.

The formal drawings received June 7, 2000 have been accepted.

If there are any questions regarding this office action please contact Charles Freay at (703)308-0639 or at the fax number (703)308-7763.


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Information Disclosure Statement

1. The information disclosure statement filed June 7, 2000 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks a statement as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e). It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.
2. The information disclosure statement filed June 7, 2000 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks a petition requesting consideration of the information disclosure statement. It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.
3. The information disclosure statement filed June 7, 2000 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(I). It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered.
4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Charles Freay whose telephone number is (703) 308-0639 or at the fax number (703)308-7763.


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